SCDHEC OFFICE OF OCEAN AND COASTAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PERMIT APPLICATION PUBLIC NOTICE

September 2, 2005

Permit Number:

OCRM-05-222-E

Permit ID:

52996

The SCDHEC Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management has received an application for a permit for the alteration of a critical area. This application was submitted pursuant to the Coastal Zone Management Act (Act 123) of the 1977 South Carolina General Assembly. The application, in brief, is described as follows:

APPLICANT:

SC Dept. of Transportation

c/o Ralph Whitehead Associates Inc. 1000 W. Morehead St., Suite 200

Charlotte, NC 28208

LOCATION:

On and adjacent to the Stono River at S-54 Chisolm Rd, Johns Island, Charleston County,

South Carolina.

WORK:

The work, as proposed and shown on the attached plans, consists of replacing the existing S-54 (Chisholm Rd.) bridge over a tributary of the Stono River. The new bridge will be 50 feet long and 33 feet wide, supported on concrete piles. It will be built in the same location as the old bridge, which will be closed during construction. Approximately 0.0785 acres of critical area salt marsh will be filled at the bridge approaches, in order to bring them up to current highway safety standards. This project is a candidate for approval by the Army Corps of Engineers under Nationwide Permit 14. The purpose of the proposed activity is for public

highway improvements.

This public notice is being distributed to all known interested persons and agencies to assist in developing facts on which a decision by OCRM can be based. Comments concerning the proposed work should be submitted in writing, setting forth sufficient detail to furnish a clear understanding of the reasons for support or opposition.

The decision to issue or deny a permit will be based on the individual merits of the application, the policies specified in the South Carolina Coastal Zone Management Act, and the considerations outlined in the State of South Carolina Coastal Zone Management Program. Interested parties who wish to be notified of final permit action must notify OCRM in writing of this request.

To assure review by OCRM, comments regarding this application must be received by OCRM on or before October 2, 2005. For further information please contact the project manager for this activity, Bill Eiser, at 843-747-4323 ext. 120.

PLEASE REPLY TO:

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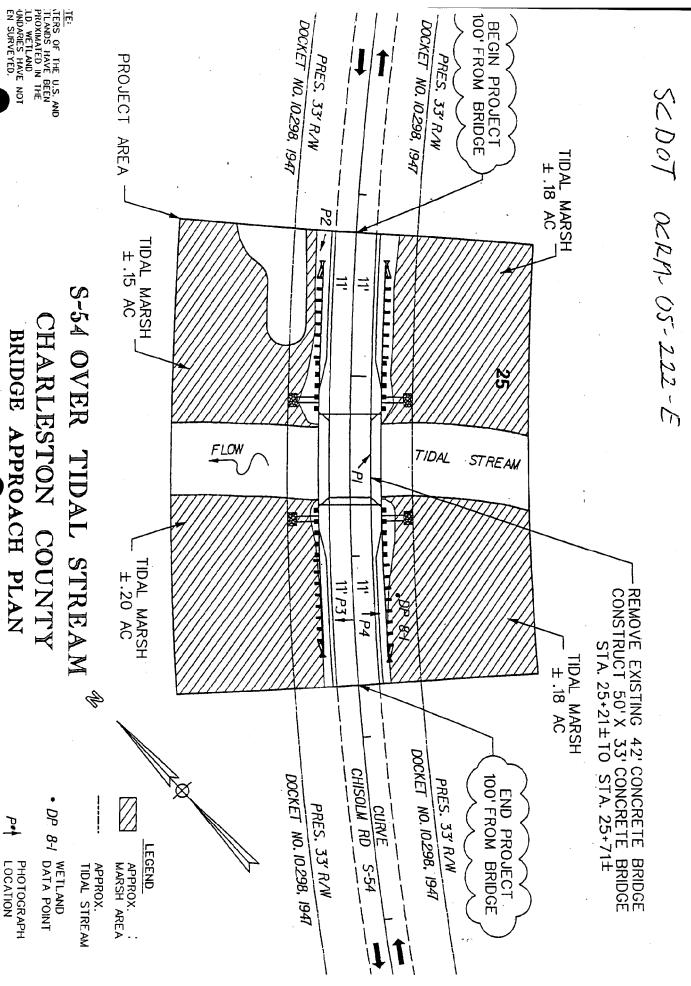
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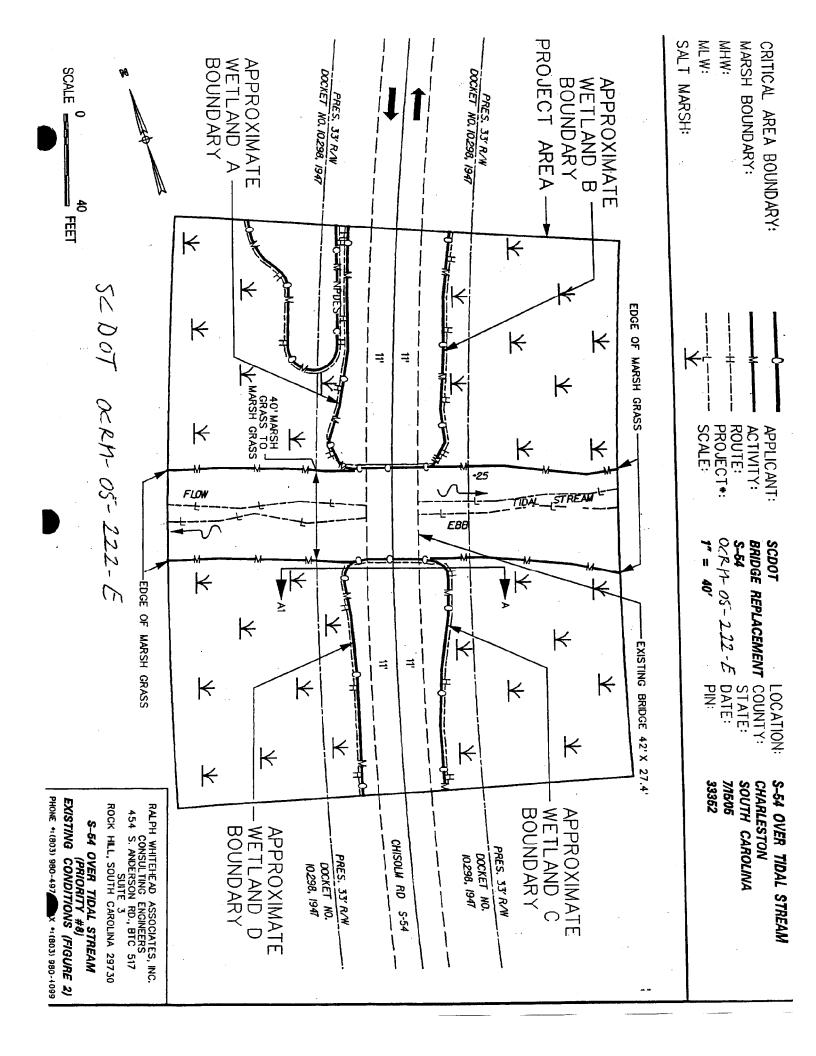
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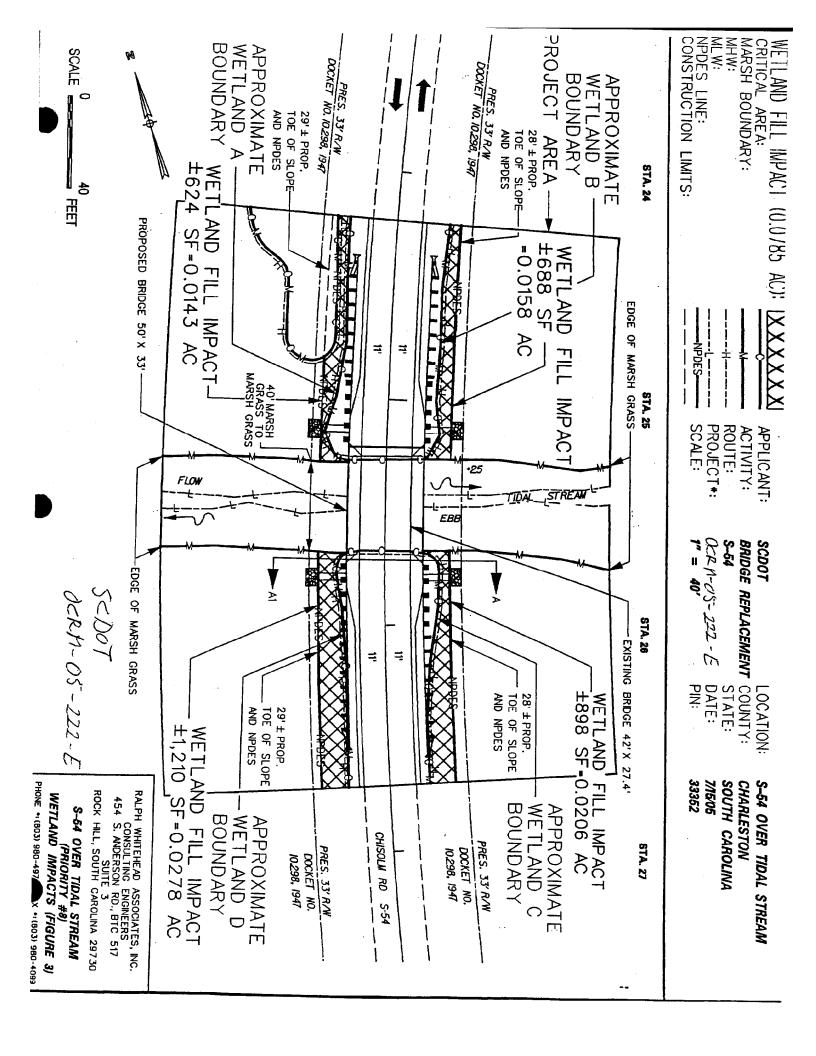
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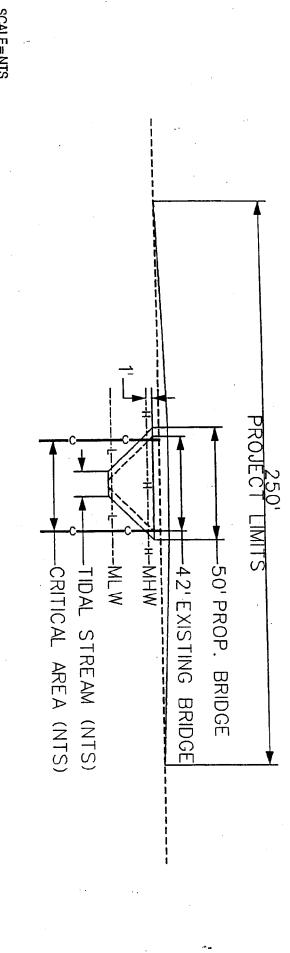
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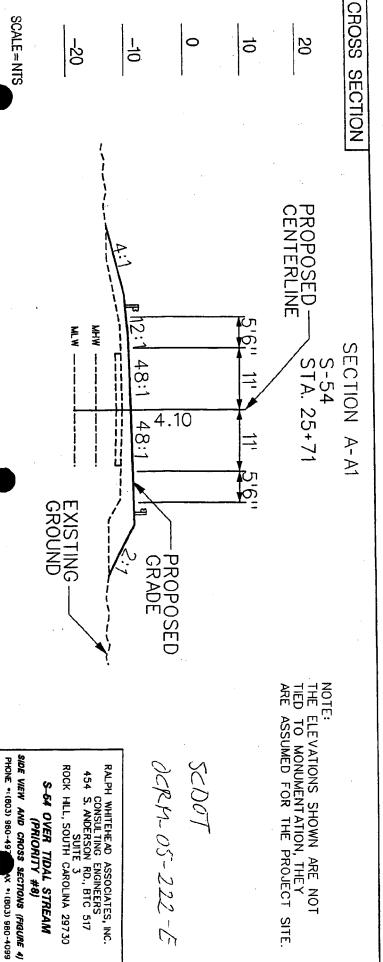


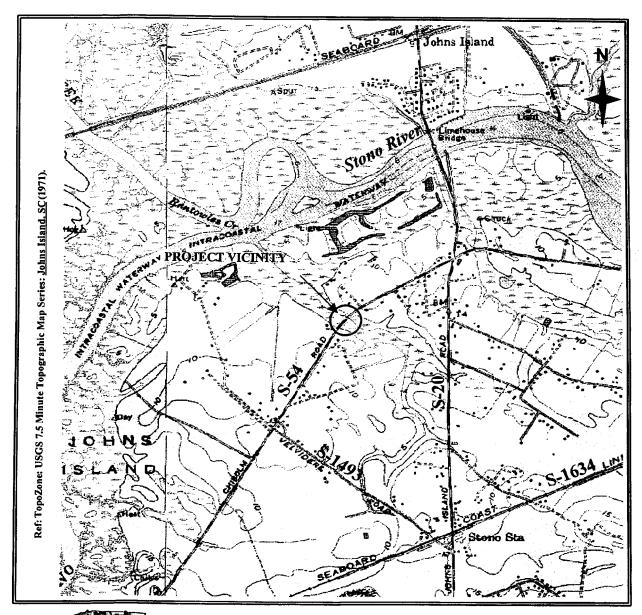














South Carolina Vicinity Map

Not to Scale



RALPH WHITEHEAD ASSOCIATES, INC.

S-54 Bridge Replacement Over Tidal Stream Priority 8 Charleston County, SC OCRM- 05-222-E Site Location

FIGURE 1